

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF BRACKEN COUNTY WATER)
DISTRICT FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC)
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO) CASE NO. 2011-00519
CONSTRUCT AND FINANCE A WATERWORKS)
IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT PURSUANT TO KRS)
278.020 AND 278.300)

COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
TO BRACKEN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Bracken County Water District ("Bracken District") shall file with the Commission no later than February 16, 2012, the original and ten copies of the following information, with a copy to all parties of record. Responses to requests for information shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed. Each response shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided.

Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry. Bracken District shall make timely amendment to any prior response if it obtains information which indicates that the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any

request to which Bracken District fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Bracken District shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request.

1. Provide the minutes of each meeting of Bracken District's Board of Commissioners since 2006 in which the Short Roads Water Project is discussed.
2. State the number of breaks occurring on the 12-inch polyvinylchloride ("PVC") water main from Bracken District's main pump station since 2006.
3. For each break in the 12-inch PVC water main from Bracken District's main pump station since 2006:
 - a. State the date of the leak;
 - b. Describe the amount of water loss resulting from the break; and
 - c. Describe the effect of the break on Bracken District's operations and those of any connected system.
4.
 - a. State the age of the 12-inch PVC water main from Bracken District's main pump station.
 - b. State the date when the 12-inch PVC water main from Bracken District's main pump station was placed into service.
5. Refer to Bracken District's Application, Exhibit A.

a. State the number of potential customers who have executed a service contract with Bracken District.

b. State the number of expected customers the new water main will serve within the first year of being placed into service.

6. Refer to Bracken District's Application, Exhibit A. Bracken District reports 17 prospective customers along the 18,000 linear foot of new water main, or a customer density of five customers per mile. Explain why such a customer density level is reasonable to justify the construction of the proposed water mains.

7. State whether persons connecting to the proposed water main will be required to make any contribution toward the cost of the water main. Explain.

8. If Bracken District does not intend to require persons who connect to the proposed water main to make any contribution toward the cost of the water main, explain why this arrangement is fair and reasonable when compared to water main extensions made under Bracken District's filed tariff.

9. State the amount of asbestos cement water main currently in Bracken District's water system.

10. Describe Bracken District's plan to eliminate asbestos cement water main from its water system.

11. State when Bracken District's Industrial Park Tank was constructed.

12. a. Identify the portion of Bracken District's territory that Bracken District intends to designate as the service area for the Industrial Park Tank.

b. Describe the number of customers that are located in this area.

c. State how frequently the water in the Industrial Park Tank will turn over once the Dutch Ridge Valve Vault is constructed and operational.

13. Refer to Bracken District's Application, Exhibits C and D. In Exhibit D, the Kentucky Division of Water has approved the plans and specifications for a project consisting of "10,000 feet of 12-inch DI, 27,700 feet of 4-inch PVC, 600 feet of 3-inch PVC, and 500 feet of 2-inch PVC water line." The bid tabulation shown at Exhibit C shows that the project sought bids for 11,000 feet of 12-inch DI, 28,600 feet of 4-inch PVC, 600 feet of 3-inch PVC and 550 feet of 2-inch PVC water line. Explain the differences.



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